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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Chaudhary

Serial No. 09/490,187

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For:

Gene Expression in Ectodermal

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Dysplasia

Group Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: McGarry, S.

Attorney Docket No. UTSD:0680

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RESPONSE

The Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Examiner McGarry:

Thank you for the Office Action dated Sept. 28, 2000. Please enter these amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On p.7, line 25, please change "Cell7" to --Cell--.

On p.15, line 14, please change "V" to --VI--.

IN THE CLAIMS

In claim 1, line 3, please change a "a TAJ gene" to --a human TAJ gene--.

In line 1 of claims 2-8 and 10-21, please change "A" to --The--.

9. (Amended) A method for modulating the functional expression of a TAJ gene or gene product in a cell comprising the step(s) of:

contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with an agent which specifically binds and appropriately the contacting a cell with a

(a) the cell is an ectodermal cell; or

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